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Subject: RE: sheet pile and safety at 12th Street Site in Wilmington, DE

Mike.

Sorry it took so long to get back to you. After speaking to you earlier, I mentioned the possible sheet pile hazard with my Group Operations Officer. He sent a 41 foot utility boat to that location to inspect. At high tide the coxswain said that it was too shallow to get in there. He could not get to that location. We therefore considered it not to be a problem for high speed recreation boats such as ski boats.

Again, I'm sure the seawall permit went through the ACOE.

Dave Ford

----Original Message----

From: Towle.Michael@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Towle.Michael@epamail.epa.gov] Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2000 10:01 AM

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Subject: sheet pile and safety at 12th Street Site in Wilmington, DE

Dave,

Please forward your thoughts on the need for any safety features to go along with the installation of sheet pile along the 12th Street landfill/dump Site in

Wilmington, DE.

We intend to begin to drive the sheeting during the first 2 weeks of August. The sheeting will be installed to an elevation of about 8 feet above sea level.

The high tides here reach to a maximum elevation of just under 7 feet. The sheeting will be installed about 5 to 10 feet away from the bank.

The boat traffic I have seen is recreational. There is a water shuttle that passes infrequently and several small recreational boats that contain fisherman.

I have seen one water skier.

I know its a stretch, but.... is there a need to provide safety marking on the

sheeting or in the Creek to warn recreational users of the new feature ??

just see our water skiing friend coming around the bend and finding our sheeting

and then complaining that we should have somehow warned em.